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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/16/2001

To: Chicago

Attn: SA [redacted]  
SA [redacted]

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: Mc Chesney Kathleen L.

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Drafted By: [redacted] smj

Case ID #: 194B-CG-NEW (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, MAYOR,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT;

[redacted]  
CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL

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Synopsis: Request the opening of a new public corruption matter involving captioned subjects.

Details: This investigation was predicated as a direct outgrowth of Chicago case 196B-CG-110974, entitled [redacted]

[redacted] Acordia of Illinois; [redacted]

[redacted] Teamsters Local 714; [redacted]

Boulevard Management, Inc.; FBW-MF-CONSPIRACY; 00:CG."

The aforementioned investigation has been assigned to this writer since September of 1999. The relevance of this case to the captioned investigation involves a kickback scheme devised by [redacted] in order to obtain a lucrative insurance contract with the Village of Rosemont (VOR) from 1992 through 1996. As part of that scheme, [redacted] knowingly inflated insurance premiums which were presented to the VOR, and after receiving said payment, paid [redacted] an annual kickback of approximately \$50,000.00 per year for a five-year period. In return, [redacted] Acordia of Illinois (AOI), received a \$750,000.00 per year insurance premium that covered the VOR for property and general liability insurance.

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Since the initiation of this case, [redacted] has been thoroughly investigated in order to determine any and all connections to the VOR. The result of that investigation has

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*Source = VC*  
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*1/24/01*  
*MS*

*PBC*  
*RAT*  
*AMK*

*SAC Mc Chesney approval*  
*2/12/01 init, delete*  
*for title - done to ensure*  
*1/24/01*

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revealed the following association to Mayor Stephens, [redacted]  
and his associates:

Bomark Cleaning Services Corporation, "BOMARK"

BOMARK, located at 9501 West Devon, Suite 801, Rosemont, Illinois, was started in 1980 [redacted] Corporation records for BOMARK identify [redacted] as the President, and [redacted] as the Secretary-Treasurer.

According to a 5/27/1990 Chicago Tribune article on BOMARK, Village Attorney Rosenthal acknowledged that BOMARK received 1.4 million dollars worth of Rosemont business for cleaning the Exposition Center and the Rosemont Horizon (Allstate Arena (AA)). BOMARK also handles parking at the AA under a verbal agreement with the village. Additionally, BOMARK cleans many of the commercial business buildings in the VOR and is one of the largest non-union suburban cleaners in the Chicagoland area. It is interesting to note that [redacted] for Teamsters Local 714, until his resignation in 1996, has provided organized labor services at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, as well as McCormick Place on the Lake.

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EASTERN incorporated in the State of Illinois in 1986; however, the company was dissolved in 1993. The last known mailing address was 9501 West Devon, Suite 801, Rosemont, Illinois. According to the 1991 Illinois Domestic Corporation Annual Report, the officers were as follows: [redacted]

[redacted] Secretary; Donald E. Stephens, Director; [redacted] Director; [redacted]



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Director; [REDACTED]. The corporation was formed in 1986 to transact any lawful business activity, including the rental of equipment for trade shows and conventions.

According to an article in the New York Daily News, dated 9/9/1996, Eastern Rentals, Inc., a forklift company [REDACTED] was prohibited from doing any further business at the Jacob Javits Convention Center (JJCC), Manhattan, New York, due to organized crime influence. [REDACTED] had a 10-year monopoly on forklift rentals at the JJCC and had been removed because the forklifts were antiquated and dangerous.

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Donald E. Stephens Committeeman Fund Annual Report

According to semi-annual reports submitted to the State of Illinois for the period ending 6/3/1999, various companies owned by [REDACTED] contributed over \$30,000.00 in a six-month period to the Donald E. Stephens campaign fund. Stephens, who has been the Mayor of Rosemont for over 45 years, has never had a serious challenger in the mayoral race. According to the first six months of 1999, the fund received \$220,745 in contributions. At the same time the fund expended \$267,456 leaving a balance of \$385,568.

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During the same reporting period, the Donald Stephens Campaign Fund expended over \$34,000.00 to Braile Services, Inc., a consulting firm, [REDACTED]. It is unknown at this time exactly what type of consulting work [REDACTED] has performed for [REDACTED] campaign fund since he is also employed as [REDACTED] employee.

[REDACTED]

According to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

According to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Emerald Casino - Rosemont, Illinois

During May 1999, the Illinois State Legislature passed a special casino legislation with a vote of 31 to 27, granting the shifting of a state casino license to Cook County. Emerald Casino Inc (Emerald) will attempt to assume the casino license from the Silver Eagle Riverboat Casino, that closed in East Dubuque in 1997. In June 1999, Governor George Ryan signed the new gambling bill into law allowing dockside gambling. The bill further allows the transfer of the Silver Eagle Riverboat Casino license to a similar willing community.

One of the 57 minority investors to pledge 1.5 million dollars for a share in Emerald, was [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] joins a list of political insiders who have applied to buy a one percent share of the Emerald.

AUSA Opinion:

On 11/29/2000, [REDACTED] AUSA, was advised of the facts of this investigation to date. AUSA [REDACTED] concurred that an investigation is necessary to further explore the associations between [REDACTED] and Mayor Donald Stephens. AUSA [REDACTED] advised that he would prosecute this matter using all available Federal statutes, including the Hobbs Act, Mail Fraud and RICO.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Precedence: PRIORITY

Date: 01/31/2001

To: Chicago

Attn: SAC

From: Chicago  
NRA2

Approved By: McChesnev Kathleen L

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Drafted By:

Case ID #: 194C-CG-114999 (Pending)

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Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, MAYOR,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT:

CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Maintenance of sensitive files in the North Resident Agency.

Details: Reference MAOP, Part II, 2-4.3.1, Maintenance of Original or Duplicate Field Office Files in Resident Agency (RA)/Off-Site (OS) Location. The MAOP states in part..."FCI, sensitive organized crime, public corruption, and undercover operation files are to be maintained in Headquarter City (HQC), unless the SAC or Acting SAC has personally determined on a case-by-case basis that retention of the file in the RA/OS will be necessary to the effective conduct of the investigation, and that the files can be retained in a secure manner."

Captioned full public corruption investigation is predicated on specific information that subjects accepted money in exchange for allowing contractors to dump road repair debris on park district property. No additional information is known at this time that enhances the sensitivity of this matter beyond that which is present in any local level public corruption investigation. The retention of the file in the RA/OS will enhance both the efficiency and the effective conduct of the investigation. The case file and materials contained therein will be afforded maximum security while being maintained within the RA.

Based upon the aforementioned information, it is requested that the SAC grant authority to maintain the above mentioned case file within the RA.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 02/12/2001

To: Chicago

Attn:

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]:cjc

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 - (Pending)

Title: CHANGED  
UNSUBS;  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT;  
[REDACTED]  
CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL

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Synopsis: See below.

Previous Title: Title marked "Changed" to reflect the removal of the name Donald E. Stephens, Mayor. . Title previously carried as "Donald E. Stephens, Mayor; Village of Rosemont; [REDACTED] [REDACTED] CSLPO - Local Level."

Details: On 2/12/01, SAC Kathleen Mc Chesney met with agents assigned to captioned matter at the North Resident Agency (NRA). While the SAC supports this investigation, she feels that it is premature to carry the name of Donald Stephens in the title of this investigation. The SAC is basing this decision on the lack, thus far, of any direct criminal activity that can be tied to his official position as Mayor of Rosemont, Illinois.

Investigation continuing.

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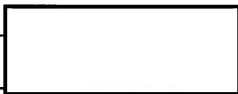
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FD-5 (Rev. 6-17-70)

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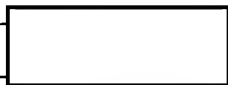
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Location \_\_\_\_\_

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: Routine

Date: 2/12/01

To: Chicago

Attn: SSA [redacted]  
SSA [redacted]

From: Chicago

Subject: REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANT/ANALYST(FA) ASSISTANCE

Drafted By [redacted]

Supervisor's Approval: [signature]

File#: 194B-CG-114999

Title: UNSUBS;  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
CSEPO - LOCAL LEVEL

Summary of Case:

Public corruption matters involving Village of Rosemont.  
Extensive review of personal & corporate bank records  
needed

FA Request for (check all applicable);

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Check kite Analysis           | <input type="checkbox"/> Assemble financial documents for trial or grand jury              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Account Analysis   | <input type="checkbox"/> Assist in the preparation, execution of search warrant affidavits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly voucher/account books | <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare visual exhibits   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Service of subpoena(s)        | <input type="checkbox"/> Conduct interview(s)  |

☒ Other: Assist SA [redacted] and FA [redacted] a  
needed.

FOR SSA/FA USE ONLY

Date of contact:

Number of working days: indefinite

Deadline if any:

Lead assigned to: 1. [redacted] NRA 2

Other comments:

2. [redacted] W C-1

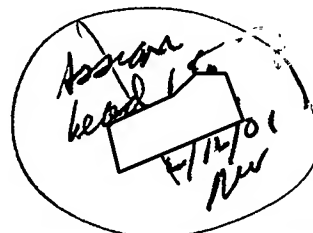
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## U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.Chicago, Illinois 60605  
February 14, 2001

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VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS;  
[REDACTED]  
CORRUPTION OF STATE AND LOCAL PUBLIC OFFICIAL  
LOCAL LEVEL

PREDICATION

This public corruption investigation was predicated as the direct result of an investigation by the Chicago office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) concerning illegal kickbacks for insurance contracts with the Village of Rosemont (VOR) from 1992 to 1996. The kickback scheme was devised by

[REDACTED] who introduced [REDACTED] of an insurance agency to Donald E. Stephens, II, the Deputy Mayor in 1992. [REDACTED] was then directed to meet with the VOR [REDACTED] and provide a bid for the insurance contract. [REDACTED] was told the amount of the previous insurance contract; therefore, he simply lowered his insurance bid to obtain the VOR contract.

During the following five years, from 1992 to 1996, the [REDACTED] paid [REDACTED] yearly commissions totaling \$255,000.00 for the VOR accounts. [REDACTED] was also required to purchase fund-raiser tickets for the Donald Stephens Committeeman Fund at \$3,000.00 per year. In addition to the kickback investigation, a detailed examination of [REDACTED] revealed business and labor union ties to Mayor Stephens, [REDACTED] and other criminal associates. The associations between [REDACTED] and other individuals are detailed as follows:

Bomark Cleaning Services Corporation, "BOMARK"

BOMARK, located at 9501 West Devon, Suite 801, Rosemont, Illinois, was started in 1980 [REDACTED] Corporation records for BOMARK identify [REDACTED] as the President, [REDACTED] as the Secretary-Treasurer.

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VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS

According to a May 27, 1990 Chicago Tribune article on BOMARK, Village Attorney Rosenthal acknowledged that BOMARK received 1.4 million dollars worth of Rosemont business for cleaning the Exposition Center and the Rosemont Horizon now called the Allstate Arena (AA). BOMARK also handles parking at the AA under a verbal agreement with the village. Additionally, BOMARK cleans many of the commercial business buildings in the VOR and is one of the largest non-union suburban cleaners in the Chicagoland area. It is interesting to note that [redacted] the Chief Union Steward for Teamsters Local 714, until his resignation in 1996, has provided organized labor services at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, as well as McCormick Place Exposition Center Chicago, IL.

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Eastern Services, Inc., "EASTERN"

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According to an article in the New York Daily News, dated September 9, 1996, Eastern Rentals, Inc., a forklift company [redacted] was prohibited from doing any further business at the Jacob Javits Convention Center (JJCC), Manhattan, New York, due to organized crime influence. [redacted] had a 10-

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year monopoly on forklift rentals at the JJCC and had been removed because the forklifts were antiquated and dangerous.

Donald E. Stephens Committeeman Fund Annual Report

According to semi-annual reports submitted to the State of Illinois for the period ending June 3, 1999, various companies [redacted] contributed over \$30,000.00 in a six-month period to the Donald E. Stephens campaign fund. Stephens, who has been the Mayor of Rosemont for over 45 years, has never had a serious challenger in the mayoral race. According to the first six months of 1999, the fund received \$220,745 in contributions. At the same time the fund expended \$267,456 leaving a balance of \$385,568.

During the same reporting period, the Donald Stephens Campaign Fund expended over \$34,000.00 to Braille Services, Inc., a consulting firm, [redacted]. It is unknown at this time exactly what type of consulting work [redacted] has performed for [redacted] campaign fund, however he is [redacted].

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Emerald Casino-Rosemont [redacted]

During May 1999, the Illinois State Legislature passed a special casino legislation with a vote of 31 to 27, granting the shifting of a state casino license to Cook County. Emerald Casino Inc (Emerald) will attempt to assume the casino license from the Silver Eagle Riverboat Casino, that closed in East Dubuque in 1997. In June 1999, Illinois Governor George Ryan signed the new gambling bill into law allowing dockside gambling. The bill further allows the transfer of the Silver Eagle Riverboat Casino license to a similar willing community. This special legislation led to the development and construction of the EMERALD in Rosemont, Illinois.

One of the 57 minority investors to pledge 1.5 million dollars for a share in Emerald, was the [redacted]. She joins a list of political insiders who have applied to buy a one percent share of the Emerald.

UNSUBS,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS

US ATTORNEY Opinion:

On November 29, 2000, [ ] Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA), was advised of the facts of this investigation to date. AUSA [ ] concurred that an investigation is necessary to further explore the association between [ ] and other individuals. AUSA [ ] advised that he would prosecute this matter using all available Federal statutes, including the Hobbs Act, Mail Fraud and RICO, if evidence of criminal activity can be obtained.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 02/14/2001

To: FBIHQ

Attn: SSA [redacted]  
Public Corruption Unit

From: Chicago  
NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

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Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999-13 (Pending)

Title: UNSUBS  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT;  
[redacted]  
CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL

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Synopsis: To advise FBIHQ of a full public corruption matter being opened in the Chicago Division, North Resident Agency.

Enclosure(s): Enclosed for the Bureau are an original and one copy of an LHM captioned as above.

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Details: This public corruption investigation was predicated as the direct result of a 1999 investigation by the Chicago office of the FBI concerning illegal kickbacks for insurance contracts with the Village of Rosemont (VOR). The kickback scheme, which was devised by [redacted] continued from 1992 through 1996, and included [redacted] of Acordia of Illinois, an insurance brokerage firm. Some time in 1992, [redacted] was introduced to Donald E. Stephens, II, the Deputy Mayor of Rosemont by [redacted] was then directed to meet with the VOR Finance Director in order to bid on the Rosemont insurance contract. [redacted] was shown the total premiums that the VOR was currently paying for insurance; therefore, he simply lowered his insurance bid to obtain the VOR contract.

During the following years, from 1992 to 1996, [redacted] paid [redacted] yearly commissions totaling \$255,000.00 for the VOR accounts. [redacted] was also required to purchase fund-raising tickets for the Donald E. Stephens Committeeman Fund at \$3,000.00 per year.

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Re: 194B-CG-114999, 02/14/2001

Investigation has determined that the kickbacks to [redacted] were made in the form of a check payable to various companies that have business contracts with the VOR. Additionally, these companies have provided generous campaign contributions to the Donald E. Stephens Committeeman Fund during the past several years.

The investigation of [redacted] is continuing in order to provide direct linkage of crimes being committed.

In order to assist headquarters, the following background information will be provided:

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Subject :  
DOB:  
SSAN:  
FBI #  
Address:

Occupation:

Occupation No. 2:

Occupation No. 3:

[Redacted area]

Investigation continuing.

File - Serial Charge Out  
FD-5 (Rev. 6-17-70)

File \_\_\_\_\_ Class. \_\_\_\_\_ Case No. \_\_\_\_\_ Last Serial 14 Date 4/10/01  
☐ Pending ☐ Closed  
Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ Description of Serial \_\_\_\_\_ Date Charged \_\_\_\_\_

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

To \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_

Initials of Clerk { \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date { \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date charged \_\_\_\_\_

Employee

Location

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 02/14/2001

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

*ppc* Drafted By: [REDACTED] pbc

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

Title: UNSUBS;  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT  
ET AL  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: See Below

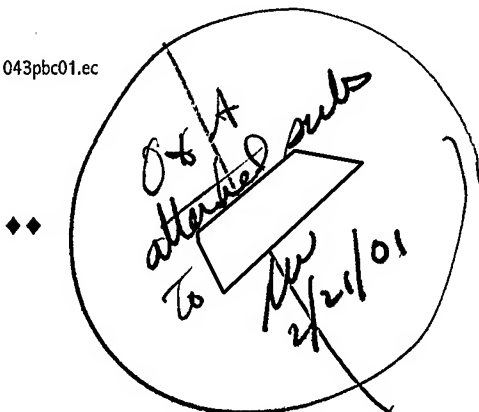
Details: Attached hereto is a copy of the subfiles to be used during this investigation. NRA rotor is requested to make sufficient copies of the subfile sheet for placement in each subfile.

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Questions that may arise concerning the correct destination of a serial, should be brought to the attention of the case agents.

Administrative Matter.

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PURPOSE

MAIN FILE

Administrative matters/ECs/incoming and outgoing communications only.

SUBFILES

/A		1A envelopes
B		Bulky exhibits sheets
C		Reserved
D		Reserved
E		Investigative reports
FF		Forfeiture Matters
FISUR		Surveillance reports
G		Summary investigation of subjects
H		Legal Process
I		<u>Enterprise Investigation</u>
1.	b6	[redacted] Associates/Companies
2.	b7C	Stephens/Associates/Companies
3.		[redacted] Associates/Companies
J		<u>Village of Rosemont-contract fraud</u>
K		<u>Village of Rosemont-Emerald Casino</u>
L		<u>Village of Rosemont-Public Officials</u>
M		Open
NC		Newspaper file
O		Soteras Murder Investigation
P		Arson Investigations
Q		New Investigations (spin-offs)

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/06/2001

To: Detroit

Attn: A/ASAC [redacted]  
SSA [redacted]  
Grand Rapids RA

From: Chicago

*KLM/pw* Squad NRA/NRA2  
Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]:mca

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Title: UNSUBS;  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT;  
[redacted]  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Request SSA [redacted] travel to Chicago on 03/15/2001 to discuss captioned matter with Chicago case agents.

Details: This public corruption investigation was predicated as the direct result of a 1999 investigation by the Chicago Division concerning illegal kickbacks for insurance contracts with the Village of Rosemont. The kickback scheme which was devised by [redacted] continued from 1992 through 1996 and included [redacted] Acordia of Illinois, an insurance brokerage firm. Sometime in 1992, [redacted] was introduced to Donald E. Stephens, II, the Deputy Mayor of Rosemont. The introduction was made by [redacted] during a lunch time meeting arranged in Rosemont, Illinois in order to give [redacted] a bid at the Rosemont contract. [redacted] had a long standing relationship with [redacted] prior to this meeting and also used Acordia to insure a myriad of companies owned by [redacted] or his associates that were currently using [redacted] as their insurance broker. After the meeting with Stephens, [redacted] was directed to meet with the Village of Rosemont finance director [redacted] in order to discuss the Rosemont insurance contract. [redacted] was shown the total insurance premium that the Village of Rosemont was currently paying to another insurance company, therefore, [redacted] simply lowered his insurance bid and obtained a five-year contract.

During the following years, from 1992 to 1996, [redacted] paid [redacted] yearly commissions totaling \$255,000.00 in five

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[redacted]  
[redacted] who is cooperating in this investigation, advised agents  
that [redacted]

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Chicago's investigation of O.G. Service Corporation and its bank accounts reveal large expenditures of funds to [redacted] and contributions to the Donald E. Stephens Committeeman Fund. Investigation has further determined that [redacted] and Stephens have long standing business relationships that focus on the Trade Show industry.

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Teamsters Local 714  
Chicago, Illinois

On 05/30/1996, [redacted] abruptly resigned his position as [redacted] of the Teamsters Union Local 714. His resignation was precipitated by a request for a second sworn deposition by the Independent Review Board (IRB), Office of the Chief Investigator, United States Department of Labor. The Teamsters Union was put under government trusteeship due to organized crime influence. In 1996, 125 Teamster Union members

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Re: 194B-CG-114999, 03/06/2001

in Chicago were deposed by the IRB in order to ferret out organized crime.

During January of 1996, [ ] gave a 125 page sworn deposition in which he responded to questions about his connection to [ ] and any organized crime influence. [ ] testified concerning his direct and indirect business relationship to the trade show industries in Chicago, New York and Las Vegas. In his sworn deposition, [ ] acknowledged being associated with [ ] doing business as American Trade Show Services Inc., previously known as Eastern Services. [ ] identified that the principals of this company include [ ] himself and Rosemont Mayor Donald Stephens. In 1998, Eastern Services, a fork lift company was expelled from the Jacob Javitz Convention Center in New York after maintaining an exclusive contract at the center for forklift trucks since 1986. The basis of the expulsion was to rid the Javits Center of Organized Crime influence.

The focus of Chicago's investigation is centered on corruption within the Village of Rosemont. However, the influence of [ ] and Mayor Stephens as well as their associates cannot be minimized. It is therefore requested that SSA [ ] Grand Rapids RA, travel to Chicago to discuss his previous investigation of the Chicago trade show industry which also included [ ] with the current case agents. SSA [ ] had developed a case-specific expertise in the area of trade shows including a thorough knowledge of the McCormick Place Convention Center, Chicago, Illinois, and the Rosemont Convention Center, Rosemont, Illinois. SSA [ ] also developed an active confidential informant who is still being utilized by the Chicago Division.

The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss with SSA [ ] the current subset of frauds being perpetrated in the Village of Rosemont, which also includes the Donald E. Stephens Convention center. The case agents believe that by thoroughly understanding the Trade Show industry including invoicing, contracts and the flow of funds between the convention centers and the exhibitors, Chicago will be in a better position to make strategic decisions about the investigation.

SACs Chicago and Detroit concur with the need for this travel.

To: Detroit From: Chicago  
Re: 194B-CG-114999, 03/06/2001

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

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SSA [ ] will make arrangements through Chicago  
case agent [ ] to be available in Chicago on  
03/15/2001 in order to discuss captioned matter.

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 03/13/01 Time: 10:41

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 17

Description of Document:

Type : SUBPOENA

Date : 05/09/00

To : CHICAGO

From : CHICAGO

Topic: FGJ SUBPOENA TO

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 10:02

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 19

Description of Document:

Type : FD302  
Date : 03/05/01  
To : CHICAGO  
From : CHICAGO  
Topic: SOURCE

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 194B-CG-114999-

1600 Golf Road, Suite 1050  
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008

March 20, 2001



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Dear Sir:

As you are aware, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), is conducting an official investigation into allegations of insurance fraud at American Business Insurance Agency of Illinois, Inc., and Acordia of Illinois during the tenure of previous ABI/Acordia executives. As part of this investigation, Federal grand jury subpoenas have been issued to [redacted] for various [redacted] that relate to this investigation. Some of the records requested and subsequently obtained are [redacted]. These documents are currently in the possession of the FBI.

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In order to alleviate any future problems in determining the location of original items of evidence, the FBI is providing [redacted] with a list of documents received to date. These documents will be retained by the FBI during the course of the investigation and in connection with any legal proceedings.

I suggest you maintain contact the case agent, Special Agent [redacted] at [redacted] with any questions you might have regarding evidence obtained as well as future plans for the return of these documents.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely

KATHLEEN L. MC CHESNEY  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

By:

[redacted]  
SENIOR SUPERVISORY RESIDENT AGENT

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cc [redacted]  
Attorney at Law

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 10:02

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 21

Description of Document:

Type : INSERT

Date : 03/26/01

To : CHICAGO

From : CHICAGO

Topic: IRS  PERFORMED SEARCH OF DATABASE RE

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 10:02

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 22

Description of Document:

Type : INSERT

Date : 03/27/01

To : CHICAGO

From : CHICAGO

Topic: SEARCH OF PUBLIC SOURCE DATABASES FOR  BACKGROUND INFO

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 10:01

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 23

Description of Document:

Type : INSERT

Date : 03/27/01

To : CHICAGO

From : CHICAGO

Topic: SEARCH CONDUCTED OF PUBLIC SOURCE DATABASES FOR

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 10:01

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 24

Description of Document:

Type : INSERT

Date : 03/27/01

To : CHICAGO

From : CHICAGO

Topic: SEARCH CONDUCTED OF PUBLIC SOURCE DATABASES RE

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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## TECHNICAL REQUEST FORM

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To: TECHNICAL ADVISOR

Date: 4/17/01From: SSA Case Agent Squad NNA-2Ext. Beeper Case File # 194B/cg 114999

Case Title: DONALD E STEPHENS  
MAYOR  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT  
ETAL

## TYPE OF COVERAGE DESIRED

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pen Register | <input type="checkbox"/> Pager Intercept       | <input type="checkbox"/> Microphone            | <input type="checkbox"/> Tracking          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land Line    | <input type="checkbox"/> Facsimile             | <input type="checkbox"/> CCTV                  | <input type="checkbox"/> TSCM              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cellular     | <input type="checkbox"/> Modem                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle Installations | <input type="checkbox"/> Cellular Tracking |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trap/Trace   | <input type="checkbox"/> Telex                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Hotel Installations   | <input type="checkbox"/> Court Room        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> T-III                   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Locks                 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> T-50 (FISA)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |  |  |

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## TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR

- ☐ Group I      ☐ Group II      ☐ Off-Sites      ☐ Task Force

## TARGET INFORMATION

Subscriber: Address: Telephone: Subscriber: Address: Telephone: Details: 

Plant Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## APPROVALS

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ ASAC: \_\_\_\_\_ CDC: \_\_\_\_\_

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 06/05/01 Time: 11:54

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 26

Description of Document:

Type : FD302  
Date : 03/07/01  
To : CHICAGO  
From : CHICAGO  
Topic: SOURCE WAS DISPLAYED

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/12/2001

To: Chicago

Attn: SA [REDACTED]  
SA [REDACTED]

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: McChesney Kathleen L.  
[REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999-27 (Pending)

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Title: CHANGED  
DONALD E. STEPHENS, VILLAGE PRESIDENT  
ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS;  
[REDACTED]  
O.G. SERVICE CORPORATION;  
[REDACTED]  
CENTURY TRADE SHOW SERVICE, INC.  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Title, marked "CHANGED" to include the names of Donald E. Stephens and [REDACTED]

Previous Title: UNSUBS; Village of Rosemont, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] CSLPO-local level.

Details: On April 11, 2001, SAC Kathleen L. McChesney met with SSA [REDACTED] regarding the status of captioned matter. SAC McChesney was briefed on new developments in this investigations; namely financial transactions that exist among [REDACTED] Stephens and others. Specifically the SAC was shown a check dated July 9, 1999, payable to [REDACTED] or Donald Stephens drawn from [REDACTED] Schwab One account for \$500,000.

Also according to bank records for OG Service Corporation, Inc, in 1997, the company paid [REDACTED] [REDACTED] a check for \$115,798.00 which was deposited into his personal bank account in Miami, Florida. Additionallly, on June 8, 1999, American Trade Show Services, Inc., contributed \$25,000 to Donald E. Stephens Committeeman fund and on the same day O.G.

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To: Chicago From: Chicago  
Re: 194B-CG-11499904/12/2001

Service Corporation contributed \$25,000 to the Donald E. Stephens Committeeman Fund. These checks come only weeks after the Illinois General assembly passed a new Gambling Bill that paved the way for the Emerald Casino to be relocated to Rosemont, IL.

Since May 2000, [redacted] has been observed by the FBI surveillance group meeting with Mayor Donald Stephens and others at the Expoteria Restaurant in Rosemont IL on numerous occasions. Additionally, the FBI surveillance team has observed [redacted] pick up Mayor Stephens at his residence and take him to O'Hare International Airport departing to Tampa, Florida. Furthermore, [redacted] telephone records including home phones, and cellular telephone reveal direct contact to the Village of Rosemont and to the residence of [redacted]

In order to assist this investigation, the following information is being set forth:

Name:	Donald E. Stephens
DOB:	3/13/28
SSAN:	361-20-2245
Address:	[redacted]
Occupation	Village President
Employer:	Village of Rosemont 9501 West Devon Rosemont IL 60018
Business:	former director
Interest:	American Trade Show Services, Inc.

Name:	[redacted]
DOB:	
POB	
SSAN:	
FBI #	
Address:	
Home Phone:	
Occupation:	
Occupation#2	

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 10:01

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 30

Description of Document:

Type : INSERT  
Date : 04/11/01  
To : CHICAGO  
From : CHICAGO  
Topic: SEARCH OF DATABASES FOR A GRAND FLOWER SHOP

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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Employee:  b6  
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Automated Serial Permanent Charge-Out  
FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 10:00

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 31

Description of Document:

Type : INSERT

Date : 04/20/01

To : CHICAGO

From : CHICAGO

Topic: DATABASE SEARCH RE

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 09:59

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 32

Description of Document:

Type : INSERT

Date : 04/20/01

To : CHICAGO

From : CHICAGO

Topic: DATABASE SEARCH FOR

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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Employee:

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 09:59

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 33

Description of Document:

Type : FD125

Date : 04/20/01

To : CHICAGO

From : CHICAGO

Topic: FD-125 RE  PLATES

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 05/15/01 Time: 11:02

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 35

Description of Document:

Type : FD302

Date : 03/26/01

To : CHICAGO

From : CHICAGO

Topic: SOURCE PROVIDED A COPY OF

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Employee:

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/26/2001

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

Sq. NRA2

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 - 38 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, VILLAGE PRESIDENT  
ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS  
ET AL;  
CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Telephone contact with SA [REDACTED] Gallup,  
New Mexico, telephone number [REDACTED]

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Details: On 03/19/01, SA [REDACTED] contacted SA [REDACTED] regarding a 1994 investigation conducted by [REDACTED] in New York specifically at the Jacob Javits Convention Center. [REDACTED] stated that the investigation centered around kickbacks to certain individuals for the awarding of a contract to Greyhound Exposition Services (GES) through an Organized Crime member named Ralph Capola.

SA [REDACTED] advised that four individuals were indicted in the project including Capola. He further described CAPOLA as a union official and an arsonist; however, CAPOLA was murdered prior to his federal trial. Another individual who was heavily involved in the New York investigation was [REDACTED]

According to [REDACTED] Century Trade Show Services, with offices in Chicago and Atlanta, acted as a middleman for kickbacks between CAPOLA and (GES). Although heavily involved in the scheme, [REDACTED] was not charged by the US ATTORNEY in New York.

SA [REDACTED] found additional evidence of fraud at the JAVITS CONVENTION CENTER through the use of small organized crime "installation and disassembly" companies. He also identifies carpet, florist and cleaning companies as vehicle for fraud and over-billings to the JAVITS CENTER.

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Re: 194B-CG-114999, 03/26/2001

SA [ ] also found a pattern of insurance fraud in the Jewelry trade shows at the JAVITS CENTER, linked to organized crime.

On 3/19/01, SA [ ] NYO 212/384-2897 was contacted regarding the existence of a Prosecutive Report by SA [ ] SA [ ] left a message for SA [ ] in order to obtain a copy of the report.

Investigation continuing.

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Recontacted SA [ ]  
left message re Capola case  
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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 09:59

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 39

Description of Document:

Type : FD302  
Date : 04/26/01  
To : CHICAGO  
From : CHICAGO  
Topic: ADDRESS:

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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Employee:  b6  
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/24/2001

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 194-B-CG-114999-40 (Pending)

Title: Donald E. Stephens, Village President  
Rosemont, Illinois  
et al  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Administrative Matter

Details: Attached hereto is a modified copy of the subfiles to be used in this investigation. This list supersedes the memo dated 2/14/01; therefore any subs not to be used in the future will become inactive immediately. The reason behind this decision is due to the volume of paperwork generated in this case. It is the opinion of the three case agents that fewer subfiles will effectively handle the paperwork and be more efficient for filing and indexing.

Close all  
subfiles except  
A, B, E, #F, H, N, C  
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[Signature]

Maintain  
closed subs in RA

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PURPOSE

MAIN FILE            -            All matters not identified below.

SUBFILES

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0 B	.	.	.	.	Bulky exhibits sheets
C					
D					
0 E	.	.	.	.	Investigative reports
0 FF	.	.	.	.	Forfeiture Matters
G					
0 H	.	.	.	.	Legal Process
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0 NC	.	.	.	.	Newspaper file

Automated Serial Permanent Charge-Out  
FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 09:58

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 41

Description of Document:

Type : INSERT

Date : 04/06/01

To : CHICAGO

From : CHICAGO

Topic: SURVEILLANCE ON

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 07/12/01 Time: 09:58

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 42

Description of Document:

Type : FD302  
Date : 05/22/01  
To : CHICAGO  
From : CHICAGO  
Topic: THE SOURCE

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 6/16/01

To: Laboratory

Attn: [redacted] Technical  
Operations Section,  
Telecommunications Intercept  
and Collection Technology  
Unit, Quantico ERF

*PBL* From: Chicago  
NRA/NRA2  
Contact: SA [redacted]

*RWS/pbc* Approved By: [redacted]

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Drafted By: [redacted]

✓ Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999-*43*

Title: PEN REGISTER/TRAP AND TRACE USAGE

Synopsis: ☐ Pen Register Original order.  
☐ Trap and Trace Original order.  
☒ Pen Register/Trap and Trace Original order.  
☐ Pen Register Renewal order.  
☐ Trap and Trace Renewal order.  
☐ Pen Register/Trap and Trace Renewal order.

Reference: 194B-CG-114999 Serial 25

Details: In accordance with MIOG, Part II, Section 10-10.7, the following information is being furnished:

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To: Criminal Investigative From:  
Re: , 5/3/2000

LEAD (s):

Set Lead 1: (Adm)

LABORATORY

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For information of the Technical Operations Section,  
Telecommunications Intercept and Collection Technology Unit,  
Quantico ERF.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 194B-CG-114999

219 S. Dearborn Street

June 6, 2001

Honorable Scott R. Lassar  
United States Attorney  
Department of Justice  
219 South Dearborn - Room 500  
Chicago, IL 60604

Attention: Assistant United States Attorney

Re:

Dear Mr. Lassar:

On September 9, 1999, this investigation was referred to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Chicago Division, by attorneys representing Acordia, Inc., Indianapolis, Indiana, the parent company of Acordia of Illinois, Inc., an insurance agency located in Schaumburg, Illinois. During the summer of 1999, an audit conducted by Acordia revealed possible fraudulent practices by Schaumburg [redacted]. The audit subsequently revealed that [redacted] and others had falsified certain insurance documents in order to obtain inflated premiums from companies and municipalities for the past ten years. In addition to fraudulent premiums, the audit also uncovered a series of kickbacks for continuing insuring contracts with the Village of Rosemont.

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Shortly after the initial allegations were received by the FBI, agents met with [redacted] in order to [redacted]



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In addition to the insurance fraud scheme, a detailed investigation of [REDACTED] revealed business and labor union ties to Rosemont Mayor Donald E. Stephens and [REDACTED]. His associations include the following:

[REDACTED] has been part of a company known as Bomark Cleaning Services Corporation located at 9501 West Devon, Suite 801, Rosemont, Illinois. [REDACTED] had been listed as the [REDACTED] of this company until recently and [REDACTED] had been listed as [REDACTED].

Bomark has had a lucrative cleaning contract within the Village of Rosemont and also handles some of the parking of vehicles for athletic events and conventions. Bomark also provides set up and take downs for various conventions and exhibitions at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, Illinois.

[REDACTED] is also listed as [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Rosemont, Illinois. [REDACTED] is listed as the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] had previously identified other [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] as [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Mayor Don E. Stephens.

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[REDACTED] made these statements during a sworn deposition testimony during January of 1996, before the independent review board investigating Organized Crime Control of Teamsters Local 714. Up until 1996, [REDACTED] of Teamsters Local 714 which provides manpower at the Rosemont Convention Center and McCormick Place. [REDACTED] also does business with [REDACTED] of Century Trade Show Services, Atlanta, Georgia. Century Trade Show Services provides cleaning and janitorial services similar to that of Bomark at various convention sites across the United States including the Jacob Jabits Convention Center in New York, Mc Cormick Place, in Chicago, Illinois, and also convention sites in Atlanta, Georgia.

According semi-annual reports (D-2) submitted to the State of Illinois for the period ending June 1999, various companies owned by [REDACTED] contributed heavily to the Donald E. Stephens committeeman fund. For example on June 8, 1999, O.G. Services Corporation contributed \$25,000 to the fund. The same date American Trade Show Service, Inc., contributed \$25,000 to the fund. Additional [REDACTED] contributed \$6,000 in 1997, again in 1998 and a \$1,000 contribution in 1999 as an individual. During the first six months of 1999, the fund received \$22,000.00 in contributions. During the same time the fund expensed over \$34,000 to Braile Services Inc., a consulting firm [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Surveillances of [ ] during the past twelve months have documented numerous and regular meetings with Mayor Donald E. Stephens in Rosemont, Illinois, with other business and political associates. [ ] has also been seen meeting with [ ] in Barrington, Illinois for reasons yet to be determined. Prior investigation of telephone local and long distance records for [ ] reveal frequent phone activity to the Village of Rosemont; [ ] residence in [ ] and to Century Trade Show Services of Atlanta, Georgia.

In order to determine the extent of [ ] criminal activity, Special Agent (SA) [ ] requests that Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) [ ] prepare an application for installation and use of a pen register and trap trace device including a [ ]

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The FBI appreciates the continued cooperation between our office and the U.S. Attorney, as we anticipate a success resolution to this investigation.

Sincerely,

KATHLEEN MC CHESNEY  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

By: [ ]

SENIOR SUPERVISORY SPECIAL AGENT

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/31/2001

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

847/290-0525

Approved By: [REDACTED] *RWW*

*PBL* Drafted By: [REDACTED] scb

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 - *45* (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, MAYOR,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT, IL;  
ET AL;  
CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL

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Synopsis: Investigative Plan: assessment and projected work

Details: This public corruption investigation was predicated as a direct result of a 1999 investigation by the NRA concerning illegal kickbacks for insurance contracts with the Village of Rosemont. The kickback scheme which was devised by [REDACTED] continued from 1992 through 1996 and included [REDACTED] of ABI/Acordia, an insurance brokerage firm located in Schaumburg, IL. Sometime in 1992 [REDACTED] was introduced to Donald E. Stephens, II, the deputy mayor of Rosemont by [REDACTED] was then directed to meet with the Village of Rosemont Finance Director in order to bid on the Rosemont insurance contract. [REDACTED] was shown the total premiums that the Village of Rosemont was currently paying to another insurance agency, therefore, [REDACTED] simply lowered his insurance bid to obtain the Village of Rosemont contract.

During the following years, [REDACTED] paid [REDACTED] yearly commissions totaling \$255,000.00 for the Village of Rosemont account. [REDACTED] was also required to purchase fund raising tickets for the Donald E. Stephens Committeeman Fund at \$3,000.00 per year. All payments to [REDACTED] from ABI/Acordia were made by check to various [REDACTED] companies and were noted in the insurance file as commissions. [REDACTED] generated the kickback payments by inflating the Village of Rosemont total invoice to include [REDACTED] fee and the Stephens political fund raisers. [REDACTED] also added an ABI/Acordia fee to the Rosemont invoice which was used to generate higher office profits.

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The subsequent investigation into [redacted] has provided direct evidence of business dealings between [redacted] and Mayor Donald Stephens, specifically, in companies that service the trade show industries. Additionally, the investigation of [redacted] has lead to business associations with [redacted] as well as [redacted] in a variety of companies that operate in Rosemont, IL. [redacted] also had direct business interests in Bomark Cleaning Services, Inc., along with [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Attached hereto is a copy of an Investigative Plan including an assessment of the investigative accomplishments, as well as projected work necessary to complete this investigation in a timely manner.

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 07/06/2001

To: Chicago

From: Chicago  
NRA/NRA2

Approved By: [REDACTED]

*PBL* Drafted By: [REDACTED] :cjc

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999-48 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS,  
VILLAGE PRESIDENT,  
ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS  
ET AL  
CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL;

Synopsis: [REDACTED] arrest report 2/27/89.

Details: During the course of this investigation, [REDACTED]  
has been identified as [REDACTED] Mayor Stephens and  
other individuals involved in a criminal enterprise. An  
associate of [REDACTED] has been observed during  
physical surveillances of [REDACTED] at various locations.  
Additionally, they both have been in business as [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and have several financial interests under  
investigation.

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On July 2, 2001, writer contacted Buffalo Grove Police  
Department for arrest records generated on [REDACTED] The following  
is a summary of the report:

[REDACTED]

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Description of

Sex:  
Race:  
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Identifiers:

Date of Birth:  
Place of Birth;  
SSAN:  
DLN:

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Facts of Arrest:

Attached hereto are copies of the arrest report and victim's statements.

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 08/07/2001

To: Chicago

Attn: SA [redacted]  
North Resident Agency

From: Chicago

Squad OC-1

Contact: SSA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

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Case ID #: 196B-CG-410974 (Pending) 212

Title: [redacted]

dba ACORDIA INSURANCE OF  
ILLINOIS; ET AL;  
PUBLIC CORRUPTION MATTER

Synopsis: Enclosed for the NRA is a 15 page printout of the

Details: On 8/1/2001 [redacted]

[redacted] telephone [redacted] turned over to  
the FBI the enclosures [redacted] stated he had received this  
printout from a source [redacted] who he did  
not wish to identify.

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Date of transcription 8/14/01

A source, who is in a position to testify, provided the following information:

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The source has heard that [Redacted]

[Redacted]

Investigation on 8/14/01 56 at Westmont, Illinois NRA [Redacted]  
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by SAs [Redacted] and ATH/ath [Redacted]

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 07/24/2001

To: Chicago

Attn: SAC Kathleen L. McChesney

Assoc. SAC [redacted]

SSRA [redacted]

ASAC [redacted]

SSA [redacted]

SSA [redacted]

ASAC [redacted]

SA [redacted]

From: Chicago

OC-1

Contact: SSA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

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Drafted By: [redacted]:bej

Case ID #: 281A-CG-110121

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Title: RIVERINO

[redacted]  
ET AL;  
PUBLIC CORRUPTION MATTER

Synopsis: Establish the rotation of an accounting Special Agent (SA) for a 30 day assignment and assign a Financial Analyst (FA) to the North Resident Agency (NRA) for a 90 day assignment.

Administrative: Reference is made to a conference occurring on 7/24/2001 between ASAC [redacted] A/SAC [redacted] and writer (acting in the capacity of Relief ASAC) where the details herein were discussed.

Details: The organized crime investigation and public corruption matter captioned above address corrupt activity within the town of Rosemont and organized crime influences concerning the pending casino license legislatively earmarked for Rosemont. Investigation at the NRA has developed significant evidence regarding the criminal activities of [redacted] close associate of Rosemont Mayor Donald Stephens. Considerable bank account evidence has been gathered in that investigation.

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To: Chicago F[REDACTED] Chicago  
Re: 22, 07/24/2001

However, the NRA lacks the resources to properly schedule out and investigate this voluminous amount of data.

To that end, it has been proposed that an accounting SA be rotated through the NRA to provide assistance in overseeing the scheduling of these accounts. This rotation would be for 30 days, with the understanding that the agent would be replaced by another accounting SA following the 30 days. It is proposed that the first 30 day period begin on August 1, 2001 and conclude on August 31, 2001. The first rotation will be filled from the Organized Crime Program. The following rotation will be filled by the White Collar Crime Program.

An FA should be identified to assist in the scheduling of these numerous accounts. This FA would be assigned to this matter for a period of 90 days and be replaced if needed. The assignment of this FA would require travel to the NRA.

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Re: 22, 07/24/2001

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, IL

OC-1 Accounting SA [redacted] will be assigned to assist for a 30 day period at the NRA, commencing on August 1, 2001 and concluding August 31, 2001. b6 b7C

Set Lead 2:

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AT CHICAGO, IL

A Chicago FA will be assigned to this project for approximately 90 days commencing on August 1, 2001.

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 09/17/2001

To: Chicago

Attn:

From: Butte ITC

Contact:

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Approved By:

Drafted By:

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Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS,  
VILLAGE PRESIDENT,  
ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS;  
ET AL  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Results of searches re American Show Services, ET AL,  
BITC #'s 25382 thru 25389.

Administrative: Reference FD-809 dated 08/31/2001.

Enclosure(s): Attached are copies of printouts setting forth  
results of inquiries conducted by the Butte ITC and a Reply Form.

Details: American Show Services; ET AL - All companies were  
searched in Dun and Bradstreet and results being forwarded.

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To: Chicago From: Butte ITC  
Re: 194B-CG-114999, 09/17/2001

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1:

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AT CHICAGO

Complete and return reply form to Butte ITC.

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On July 10, 2001, IRS [redacted] conducted a search of public source databases for background information relating to [redacted]. The following information was obtained through [redacted] Lexis-Nexis, NCIC, and FBI databases:

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196B-CG-110974 ser 144 (insert re surveillance)

194B-CG-114999-H sers 46 & 48 (subpoenas)

Two newspaper articles were located pertaining to  and are attached to this report.

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Date of transcription 08/21/2001

On August 17, 2001, Special Agent (SA) [redacted]  
[redacted] reviewed [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] The information from  
[redacted] was received pursuant to a Federal Grand  
Jury Subpoena. [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 10/05/2001

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

Squad A-1

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED] *JM*

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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194B-CG-114999-FF (Pending)

Title: DONALD STEPHENS, MAYOR  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT.

[REDACTED]  
CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Open forfeiture subfile.

Details: It is requested that a forfeiture subfile FF be opened to retain information and documents related to the forfeiture aspect of this case. Please assign this subfile to Paralegal Specialist [REDACTED]

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] on August 24 and August 27, 2001:

Pursuant to a FEDERAL GRAND JURY subpoena, records were received from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] An analysis of the records was conducted and the following is a summary of the significant items located within [REDACTED]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 10/16/2001

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

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Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

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Drafted By: [REDACTED] mkc

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Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 - (Pending) - *ES*

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS;  
ET AL;  
CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Meeting dated September 24, 2001, regarding an approach to [REDACTED]

Details: On September 24, 2001, a meeting was held in the office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), North Resident Agency, in order to formulate a strategic plan to approach [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CPA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Village of Rosemont; and [REDACTED]

Present for this meeting from the FBI were [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Agents

representing the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) were [REDACTED]

It was

decided that SAs [REDACTED] would interview [REDACTED] SAs

[REDACTED] would interview [REDACTED] SAs

would interview [REDACTED] and Agents [REDACTED]

would interview [REDACTED]

It was generally decided that the purpose of the interview to be disclosed to the interviewees would be that the

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Investigation continuing.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 08/21/2001

To: Laboratory

Attn: [REDACTED] Technical  
Operations Section,  
Telecommunications Intercept  
and Collection Technology  
Unit, Quantico ERF

From: CG

NRA2

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999-59  
66F-CG-112687-C-227

Title: PEN REGISTER/TRAP AND TRACE USAGE

Synopsis: Pen Register Original order.

Reference: 194B-CG-114999-H

Details: In accordance with MIOG, Part II, Section 10-10.7, the following information is being furnished:

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] at Rolling Meadows, Illinois:

On October 2, 2001, AUSA [redacted] telephonically advised SA [redacted] that Defense Attorney [redacted] representing [redacted] has contacted AUSA [redacted] on October 2, 2001, requesting [redacted]. AUSA [redacted] explained that the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) and/or INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (IRS) needs to identify another individual at [redacted].

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[redacted] Federal Grand Jury subpoenas served on [redacted]

AUSA [redacted] was told that the FBI and IRS will [redacted] for production of the requested records by the FGJ subpoena.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 11/06/2001

To: Chicago

Attn: SSA [REDACTED] SO-1

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, MAYOR,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT;  
ET AL; CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Request for periodic surveillance coverage of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Details: This investigation was initiated in January 2001 as a spinoff of 196B-CG-110974 entitled "[REDACTED] Et Al; FBW - MF". [REDACTED] had paid [REDACTED] over \$180,000.00 in kickbacks from 1991 through 1996 for the Rosemont insurance account, which he received through [REDACTED]

Starting in 1993, [REDACTED] of American Business Insurance Agency, opened a joint Schwab account to deposit kickbacks [REDACTED] received for the Rosemont insurance contract. [REDACTED] later transferred some of that money to his personal and business accounts, particularly O.G. Services Corp. From there money was transferred to numerous joint accounts [REDACTED] held and still maintains with other individuals at various banking institutions and trading firms. these are held jointly with many individuals, among them: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and a suspected mob money-laundering associate; [REDACTED]; [REDACTED] a known mob associate; Donald S. Stephens, mayor of Rosemont; and [REDACTED] of Degan Rosato General Contractors. Investigation to determine the extent of the business relationships among these individuals is continuing.

During July 1997 the Silver Eagle Casino, Dubuque, Iowa, closed. Its [REDACTED] lobbied Illinois legislatures for legislation allowing them to relocate. During their lobbying efforts, [REDACTED] donated heavily to Illinois legislators who receive substantial financial support from Donald

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Stephens' campaign war chest. In May 1999 legislation was passed was that enabled the casino to move. Immediately, plans were to relocate the casino to Rosemont to started and [redacted] were contracted to build the Emerald Casino. Many individuals associated with the casino made significant campaign contributions to Stephens.

In late 1999, numerous high profile individuals invested in the Emerald Casino. At the same time, [redacted] Stephens, and a number of others obtained large loans, the timing of which suggests a link to other casino investors. A number of the casino investors obtained their loans from Parkway Bank and Trust, Harwood Hts., IL, [redacted] may have had family related loans guaranteed by [redacted]. Investigation shows that the [redacted] Trust is actually a straw investor for [redacted] himself. Loans to [redacted] and Mayor Stephens made about the same time suggest Stephens may have had an interest in that investment. Other investors monies are being traced to uncover any secret participation. Previous surveillance conducted by SO-1 of [redacted] has corroborated individuals identified by financial investigation of [redacted] companies.

AUSA [redacted] has stated that he plans to present this matter to a Federal Grand Jury during December 2001. AUSA [redacted] advised that he plans on charging [redacted] in a first round of indictments as the investigation continues.

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LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1:

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AT BARRINGTON, IL

SO-1 is requested to conduct periodic surveillance of [redacted] and associates at the direction of Chicago case agent including pre- and post-indictment observations. The scope of this lead extends from November 2001 through January 2002 b6 b7C

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 11/21/2001

To: Chicago

Attn: ASAC

From: Chicago

Squad NRA-2

Contact: SA

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Approved By:

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Drafted By:

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Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, VILLAGE PRESIDENT,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS;  
ET AL;  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Expense requested for

Details: Fiscal Year

Total Funds Authorized FY2001:  
Current FY Balance:  
Amount of Request:  
Balance Remaining Fiscal Year:

Amount of Last Request:

Expense of Pen Register and trap/trace device for  
related to instant matter as follows:

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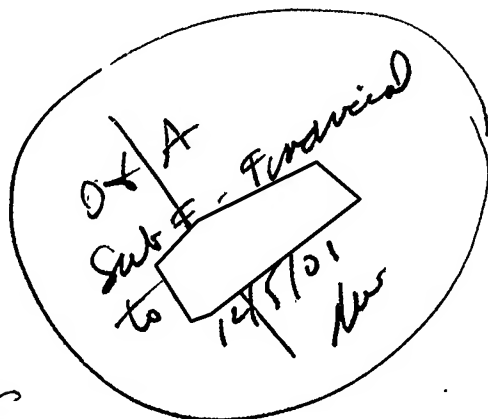
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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/15/2002

To: Chicago

Attn: SA [redacted] (NRA2) ✓

From: Chicago

Squad WC-1

Contact: FA [redacted]

Ext. [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

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Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, MAYOR;  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT

[redacted]  
CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Assist SA [redacted] and FA [redacted] as needed to analyze Village of Rosemont records and extensive review of personal and corporate records as needed. Analysis complete on two O.G. Services and one American Trade Show Services account, awaiting information for additional analysis for possible trial. These two companies [redacted] provide the rental of forklift equipment for trade shows at Rosemont and McCormick Place.

Details: FA [redacted] has used Quickbooks Pro 6.0 to analyze the bank account activity for O. G. Services account 176532 through Park National Bank and Trust from 01/24/94-09/14/99; O. G. Services account 111082 through Parkway Bank and Trust from 06/17/98-05/01/01; and American Trade Show Services account 174203 through Park National Bank and Trust from 08/20/92-12/04/01.

Although the case is very wide range in scope, subjects, crimes committed, and possible public corruption, the main suspects remain [redacted] Donald E. Stephens, [redacted] and other criminal associates.

[redacted] FA [redacted] has established a connection between [redacted] and Stephens while utilizing the Quickbooks Pro 6.0 program to duplicate checkbook registers for two O.G. Service accounts and one American Trade Show account. The printouts show [redacted] and O.G. Services overbilling the Village of Rosemont while also contributing to Stephens' campaign and other investment outlets. O.G. Services also contributes heavily to



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[redacted] who has a very high organized crime  
influence.

FA [redacted] still considers this lead open while waiting  
for additional records that may need to be analyzed for possible  
trial.

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Source, who is not in a position to testify, provided the following information:

Source advised that [REDACTED]

Source further stated that [REDACTED]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 02/25/2002

To: Pocatello ITC

Attn: CS/FE

From: Chicago

NRA2/ North RA

Contact:

Approved By:

Drafted By:

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, VILLAGE PRESIDENT,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS;  
ET AL;  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Request of Pocatello to copy to CD-Rom the enclosed floppy disks.

Enclosure(s): Twenty-six (26) 3.5 inch floppy disks.

Details: Enclosed are twenty-six 3.5 inch floppy disks which were turned over the FBI by an attorney representing an accounting firm in the captioned case. The disks contain spreadsheets and other accounting package data. The disk are number as follows:

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To: Pocatello ITC From: Chicago  
Re: 194B-CG-114999, 02/25/2002

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015460  
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015465  
015466

Please note that there is not a disk numbered 015442.

It is requested that Pocatello copy these disks to CD-Rom and return the disks and four copies of the CD-Rom to Chicago.

To: Pocatello ITC From: Chicago  
Re: 194B-CG-114999, 02/25/2002

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

POCATELLO ITC

AT POCATELLO, ID

Copy the enclosed disks to CD-Rom and return the disks  
and four copies to Chicago.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 02/28/2002

To: Chicago

Attn: SA [REDACTED]

From: Butte ITC

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999-*18* (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS,  
VILLAGE PRESIDENT,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS;  
ETAL;  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

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Synopsis: Results of searches re [REDACTED] BITC # [REDACTED]

Administrative: Referenced FD-809 dated 2/28/2002.

Enclosure(s): Reply Form.

Details: The following information was determined for [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Name  
DOB  
SSAN  
Address

Possibly associated with a [REDACTED]

Telephone [REDACTED]

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Addresses

Employer

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To: Chicago From: Butte ITC  
Re: 194B-CG-114999, 02/28/2002

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and [Redacted]

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To: Chicago From: Butte ITC  
Re: 194B-CG-114999, 02/28/2002

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

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AT CHICAGO, IL

Complete and return reply form to Butte ITC.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/06/2002

To: Chicago

Attn: SA [REDACTED]

From: Chicago  
IS-1

Contact: IRS [REDACTED]

Ext. [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED] *jip*

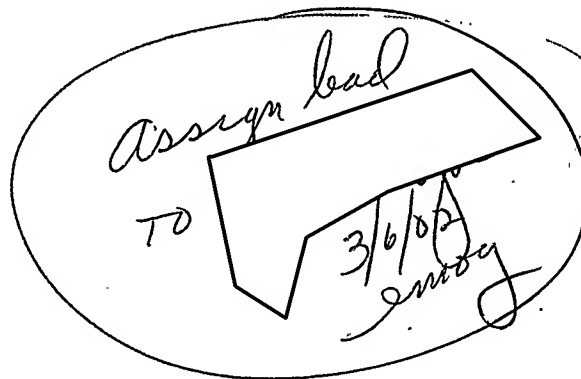
Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending) - 69

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, MAYOR,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT;

[REDACTED]  
CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL

**Synopsis:** Purpose of this EC is to request assignment of an Intelligence Research Specialist (IRS) to captioned matter.

**Details:** An IRS is requested to provide assistance in conducting research and providing analysis on records obtained in above case.



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To: Chicago From: Chicago  
Re: 194B-CG-114999, 03/06/2002

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1:

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AT CHICAGO

Assign lead to IRS [REDACTED] to provide  
analysis as needed in above case.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 02/21/2002

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

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Drafted By: [REDACTED]:smj

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS,  
ET AL;  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

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Synopsis: Contact with [REDACTED] Field Representative,  
Project Rise (Teamsters Inspector General), phone [REDACTED]

Details: On 2/20/2002, this writer met with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] regarding their investigation of Teamsters Local 714,  
Chicago, Illinois. [REDACTED] explained that

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To: Chicago From: Chicago  
Re: 194B-CG-114999, 02/21/2002

[redacted] both own this corporation, and it is a fairly new idea in the trade-show business.

[redacted] advised that he would try to determine additional information on associates of [redacted] including:

[redacted]

At this point, [redacted] reported that on January 31, 2002, a source of information reported to him that [redacted]

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[redacted] further explained that the name D & P, a [redacted] has come up during his investigation of the Teamsters Union. [redacted] said that D & P is a dumpster service that operates in the Chicago suburban area. He also advised that the name D & P was used in connection with the Emerald Casino, Rosemont, during the construction of the parking garage. [redacted] said he would further explore this matter and provide details at a later date.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/07/2002

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED] *JMK*

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending) - 71

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS,  
VILLAGE PRESIDENT,  
ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS;  
ET AL;  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

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Synopsis: Investigative summary and identified areas in need of further investigation.

Details: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 03/13/2002

Pursuant to a Federal grand jury subpoena, documents were received on [redacted] from [redacted]

[redacted] The records relate to [redacted]

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Writer reviewed those documents over the next two weeks and on March 4, 2002, called [redacted] to obtain some additional information concerning [redacted]

[Large redacted area]

Investigation on 2/20-3/7/02 at [redacted]

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by SA [redacted] cjc

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Attached to and made part hereof are copies of the four documents discussed above.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/14/2002

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

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Drafted By: [redacted] mer

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, ET AL  
CSLPO - LOCAL LEVEL

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Synopsis: Meeting with AUSA [redacted] on 2/28/2002.

Details: On 2/28/2002 a meeting was held in the offices of the U.S. Attorney, 219 South Dearborn, Chicago, IL. Present for this meeting were the following SAs: [redacted]

[redacted] The purpose of the meeting was to update AUSA [redacted] on the post-indictment progress made on [redacted] as well as to discuss any additional investigation necessary to bring this project to a positive conclusion.

AUSA [redacted] advised that he plans to file a superceding indictment which would include [redacted] and [redacted] for [redacted] further stated that [redacted] which would also include [redacted] found in the superceding indictment as well as relevant conduct relating to [redacted] further said that [redacted] needs to be interviewed and placed in the Grand Jury since [redacted] also believes that [redacted] need to be put in the Grand Jury prior to the filing of the superceding indictment.

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At this point SA [redacted] advised [redacted] that the investigation and financial trail of [redacted] continues with numerous trading accounts involving [redacted] and Mayor Donald Stephens. Additionally, SA [redacted] advised that [redacted] will be contacted in the foreseeable future, however there is still much work to be done on [redacted]

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SA [ ] advised [ ] that his analysis of the Emerald Casino continues and recently received additional boxes of information from MGM Mirage Inc., Las Vegas, Nevada. [ ] advised that he plans to interview some of the minority investors in the foreseeable future as well as some of the Illinois Gaming Board members, including [ ] AUSA [ ] advised that he sees no reason to wait on any of these investigative venues since they are not connected to [ ]

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AUSA [ ] expressed concern for a document he received from [ ]

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Investigation continuing.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/18/2002

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

NRA2/North RA

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

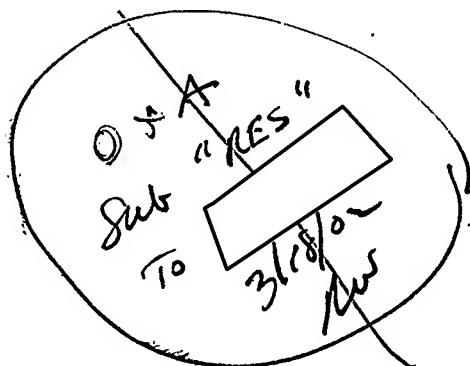
Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, VILLAGE PRESIDENT,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS;  
ET AL;  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Request to open sub-file.

Details: It is requested that the following sub-file be opened:

RES Information concerning Rosemont Exposition  
Services

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 03/14/2002

[redacted] Computer Specialist/Forensic Examiner (CS/FE) [redacted]  
[redacted] of the Pocatello Information Technology Center (PITC) was  
requested by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] of the Chicago  
North Resident Agency to copy the contents of twenty-six 3.5 inch  
floppy disks to compact disc (CD).

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CS/FE [redacted] is a certified member of [redacted]  
[redacted].

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On March 21, 2002, CS/FE [redacted] copied the disks.

The floppy disks were already numbered. They were write  
protected. Logical files were copied, [redacted]  
[redacted]

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The data was scanned for viruses, none were found.

The recovered data was copied to CD. Five copies were  
created, four to be sent to SA [redacted] and one copy to be archived  
at PITC.

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File # 194B-CG-114999-75 Date dictated 03/21/2002

by [redacted] *PM*

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

**Precedence:** ROUTINE

**Date:** 03/21/2002

**To:** Chicago  
Laboratory

**Attn:** SA [redacted]  
NRA2/ North RA  
[redacted] Field Operations,  
FBI ERF Building # 27958-A,  
Room C-106

**From:** Pocatello ITC

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**Contact:** [redacted]

**Approved By:** [redacted] *huf*

**Drafted By:** [redacted] *rpm*

**Case ID #:** 194B-CG-114999-<sup>76</sup> (Pending)  
66F-HQ-C1155003 - 6934  
66F-WE-A324 - 195

**Title:** DONALD E. STEPHENS, VILLAGE PRESIDENT,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS;  
ET AL;  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

**Synopsis:** To return data to case agent.

**Reference:** 194B-CG-114999 Serial 67

**Package Copy:** Being forwarded under separate cover to the attention of SA [redacted] is one package containing four CDs with the results of processing of twenty-six 3.5 inch floppy disks pertaining to the above referenced case. Also being sent to the Evidence Technician, at the North RA is one box containing the twenty-six original disks.

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**Details:** The CART processing of the twenty-six floppy disks was performed by CS/FE [redacted] of the Pocatello ITC. The processing was in accordance to the instructions given by SA [redacted] Details of the processing are contained in the accompanying FD-302.

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To: Chicago From: Pocatello ITC  
Re: 194B-CG-11499, 03/21/2002

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Adm)

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES

For information only.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/21/2002

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

NRA2/North RA

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, VILLAGE PRESIDENT,  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS;  
ET AL;  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Request to open sub-file.

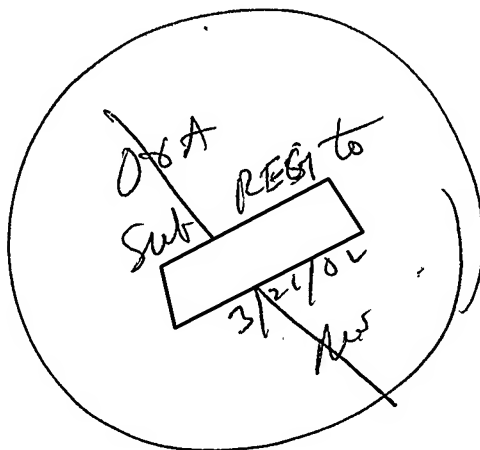
Details: It is requested that the following sub-file be opened:

REG Information concerning Regency Exposition  
Services

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CONNECTION ID  
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RESULT OK

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- ☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
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☐ Secret  
☐ Confidential  
☐ Sensitive  
☒ Unclassified

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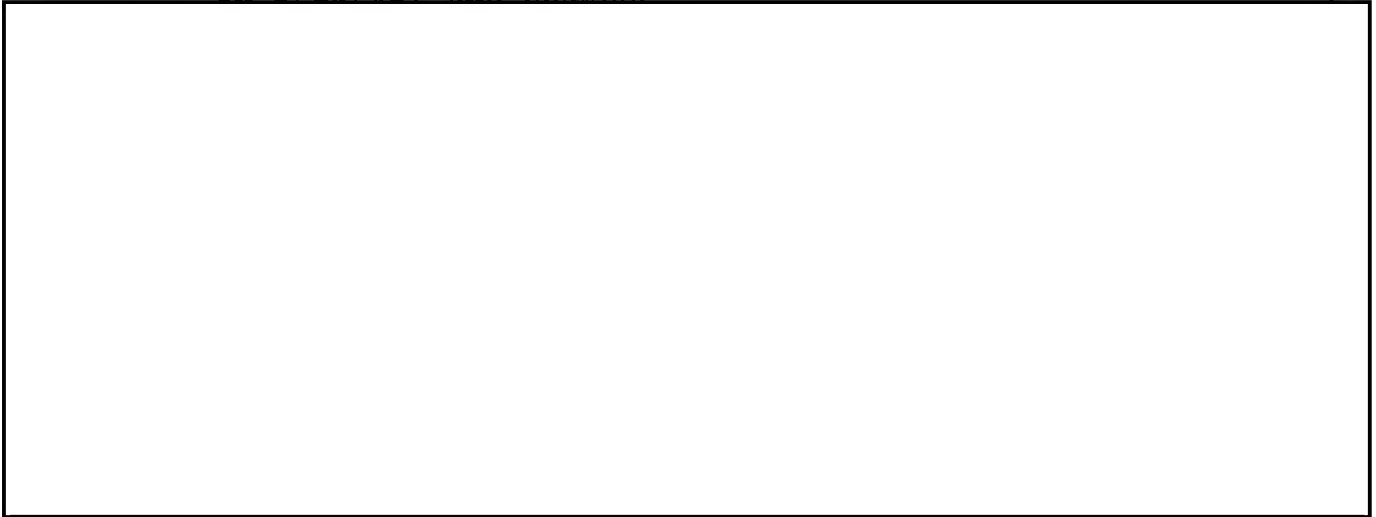
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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A source, who is in a position to testify, provided the following information:

On 3/15/02, the source



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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription

A source, who is in a position to testify, provided the following information:

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 03/18/2002

A source, who is in a position to testify, provided the following information:

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File # [redacted] 194B-CG-114999-81 Date dictated 3/18/02  
by SA [redacted] ATH/ath AMS  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/15/2002

To: Chicago

Attn: SA [REDACTED] NRA 2  
Evidence Control Unit

From: Chicago

Squad OC-1

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED] :bej

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194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

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Title: [REDACTED]

ET AL;  
EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT  
INCOME SECURITY ACT - 1974;  
OC/DI - CHICAGO LCN;

DONALD E. STEPHENS;  
ET AL;  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Transfer of bulky evidence.

Details: The purpose of this communication is to request that bulky exhibits 1B-4, 1B-5 and 1B-6 be transferred from 156A-CG-111795 to 194B-CG-114999. Bulky exhibit 1B-4 is comprised of

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Bulky exhibit 1B-5  
are [REDACTED] from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Bulky exhibit 1B-6 are [REDACTED]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 03/21/2002

SOURCE, who is in a position to testify, voluntarily provided the following information.

Investigation on 03/21/02 at [redacted]  
File # [redacted] 194B-CG-114999 - 83 Date dictated 03/21/02  
by SA [redacted]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/29/2002

To: Chicago

Attn: Evidence Room

Attn: SA [redacted]

From: Chicago  
NRA/NRA2

Approved By: [redacted]

*pbw* Drafted By: [redacted] cjc

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999✓ (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, MAYOR;  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT;  
ET AL;  
CSLPO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Assuming custody of evidence from Chicago file 183B-  
CG-7776 entitled [redacted]

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Details:

This Public Corruption investigation was predicated as a direct spin-off of a 1999 investigation by the North RA concerning illegal kickbacks for insurance contracts with the Village of Rosemont. The kickback scheme was devised by [redacted] which continued from 1991 through 1996, and included [redacted] ABI/Acordia. [redacted] operated ABI/Acordia, an insurance brokerage firm from its location in Schaumburg, Illinois.

The investigation of [redacted] has provided direct evidence of business dealings with Mayor Stephens, specifically, companies that service the trade show industries in the Chicagoland area and other locations nationwide. The investigation is also examining the financial transactions among [redacted] Mayor Stephens and [redacted] For over 15 years, they operated American Trade Show Services Inc, formerly known as Eastern Services Inc which rented forklifts and other equipment at McCormick Place and the Jacob Javits Center in New York.

On January 17, 2002, [redacted] were indicted by Federal grand jury charging them with Wire Fraud and Money Laundering. This matter is being addressed by 196B-CG-110974 assigned to the North RA.

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To: Chicago From: Chicago  
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As the investigation of [ ] Stephens and [ ] continues in a broader investigation, it became necessary to obtain all evidence and records including prior investigations. In this regarding Chicago investigation 183B-7776 originally opened by SA [ ] which was reassigned to SA [ ] [ ] still maintain evidence from that investigation. The investigation was officially declined by the United States Attorney's Office in 1999.

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In this regard, two boxes of evidence, identified as 1B7, barcode E0702191 described as 1990-92 financial records of Eastern Services and American Trade Show Services and 1B5 described as one box of records from 1990 through 1992, containing financial records of O&M Forklift barcode number E0702189, were obtained.

For future information and for record keeping these documents are being maintained at the North RA.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/23/2002

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

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Drafted By: [redacted]mer

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS,  
ET AL  
CSPLO - LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Meeting with AUSAs [redacted] and [redacted] on 5/10/2002.

Details: This investigation was initiated in September of 1999 based upon a referral to the FBI. During the summer of 1999, American Business Insurance Agency/Acordia became aware of fraudulent practices by [redacted] which necessitated an internal audit. This action revealed that [redacted] and others had falsified certain documents in order to obtain inflated premiums from companies and municipalities for the past 10 years. In addition to the fraudulent premiums, the audit also uncovered a series of kickbacks for a continuing insurance contract with the Village of Rosemont. From 1991 through 1996, ABI/Acordia issued false rebated premium checks to O.G. Services Corporation and later issued checks as broker commission payments to Skybox, Inc./Ribs. All of these companies at the time were owned and directed by [redacted]

On 1/17/2002, [redacted] were charged in a 15 count indictment involving mail fraud, wire fraud and money laundering. The purpose of the meeting on 5/10/2002 with prosecutors was to examine charging [redacted] and [redacted] with violations of Title 26 (tax fraud) and to indict [redacted] [redacted] personal and business accountant for tax fraud and conspiracy.

According to AUSA [redacted] the theory of prosecution for

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] on the dates set out below:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (That report was later provided and is contained among the [REDACTED] subpoenaed documents.)

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Date: 07/16/02 Time: 09:46

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 88

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From : CHICAGO  
Topic:

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FINANCIAL INVESTIGATION (SA [REDACTED])

PURPOSE: To determine a linkage of financial transactions to significant events in this investigation.

PLAN: 180 days - (September 30, 2002)

1. Superseding indictment of [REDACTED] for tax fraud and conspiracy (T18USC371)
2. Indictment of [REDACTED] personal/business accountant, for tax fraud and conspiracy.
3. Target interviews of [REDACTED] and other financial associates of [REDACTED] Mayor Stephens and other members of the enterprise.
4. Investigation of [REDACTED] defunct corporation O.G.Service Corp., specifically the O.G.Service Pension Plan. U.S.DOL is jointly investigating this aspect of the case for prohibited transactions by [REDACTED].
5. Investigation of [REDACTED] of Parkway Bank & Trust, Harwood Hts., Il, for illegal lending practices in respect to Mayor Stephens, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].
6. Analysis of joint bank and investment accounts by Stephens [REDACTED] involving the funding of the [REDACTED] trust (\$1.5 million)

## SUNDRY INVESTIGATIVE VENUES (SA [REDACTED])

PURPOSE: To investigate the myriad of events and circumstances surrounding the Village of Rosemont presently and historically.

PLAN: 180 days - (September 30, 2002)

1. Investigate the business relationship between [REDACTED] the subject of a \$47 million HUD fraud being addressed in (196B-CG-110974) and [REDACTED] a current Illinois Gaming Board member. [REDACTED] is a partner in several partnerships under investigation by a joint FBI-HUD project.
2. Investigate [REDACTED] associates identified during the surveillance of Rosemont 2001.
3. Investigation of [REDACTED] regarding a forklift business with Mayor Stephens and [REDACTED] that operates in Chicago, New York and Las Vegas.
4. Investigate [REDACTED] regarding their business dealings with Mayor Stephens.
5. Investigate contract frauds regarding over-billings to the Village of Rosemont for man and materials. Areas include: construction over-runs; trade show subcontractors with hidden Teamster ownership; village landscape contractors; and insurance for property and liability.

TRADE SHOW INDUSTRY (SA [REDACTED])

PURPOSE: To determine the extent of influence Mayor Stephens exerts on the Rosemont convention industry.

PLAN: 180 days - (September 30, 2002)

1. Investigation of the Rosemont Exposition Services, Inc. (RES) - the general contractor for all conventions and trade shows at the Donald Stephens Convention Center.
2. Investigate the relationship between various [REDACTED] companies (forklift rental, decorators) that interface with RES as well as unions.
3. Investigate Bomark Cleaning Services, Inc., a company, at one time owned by [REDACTED] and still owned by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] for tax fraud regarding the sale of stock.
4. Investigate RES that has a no bid contract and gives 70% of its net income to the Village of Rosemont. Mayor Stephens family members have ownership in RES.
5. Continue to debrief a cooperating source (CS) regarding [REDACTED]
6. Coordinate Near North Insurance investigation with current Rosemont public corruption case.

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## EMERALD CASINO (SA [REDACTED])

PURPOSE: To determine the extent of corruption involved in the passage of the May 1999 legislation by the general assembly. Also, investigate the investors, contractors and other insiders that are connected to Mayor Stephens.

PLAN: 180 days - (September 30, 2002)

1. Target interviews: [REDACTED], regarding June 1999 contribution to Mayor Stephens campaign fund. Also determine all meetings with Stephens and promises for future business.
2. Interviews the minority investors in Emerald Casino, Inc. and the former investors of HP Inc
3. Investigate the possible hidden ownership by Stephens in the land trust, site of the Emerald Casino.
4. Investigate and review public documents regarding the [REDACTED] Trust.
5. Target interviews of the Illinois Gaming Board, including the [REDACTED]
6. Interview/subpoena [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 06/21/2002

To: Chicago

From: Chicago  
NRA/NRA2

Approved By: [REDACTED]

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Drafted By: [REDACTED] cjc

Case ID #: 194B-CG114999 (Pending) -90

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, MAYOR  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT  
ET AL;  
CSPLO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Attached investigative plan prepared during March, 2002.

Details: This Public Corruption investigation was predicated as a spinoff of 196B-CG-110974 entitled [REDACTED] et al, FBW-Conspiracy." The previous investigation involved [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] of Mayor Stephens, as devising a scheme to defraud Acordia, Inc., an insurance brokerage firm which serviced the Village of Rosemont from 1991 to 1996. During January 2002, [REDACTED] were indicted for over-billing Rosemont for \$675,000 in inflated insurance premiums from 1991 through 1996. [REDACTED] was introduced to Village of Rosemont officials through [REDACTED] and in return [REDACTED] received yearly kickbacks from [REDACTED] totaling approximately \$280,000.

The current investigation of Mayor Stephens, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] alleges systemic corruption within the Village of Rosemont. The schemes including village contract fraud; illegal loans and financial institution fraud through a variety of Banking and Investment accounts; conspiracy to defraud the IRS on personal and joint returns; money laundering and corruption of public officials surrounding the construction of the Emerald Casino in Rosemont.

Attached hereto is a copy of the investigative plan for the four investigative venues with a completion date of September 30, 2002.

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Date: 11/26/02 Time: 08:19

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From : SA'S [REDACTED] (IRS)  
Topic: [REDACTED]

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Employee: [REDACTED]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 11/12/2002

To: Chicago

Attn: ASAC [redacted]

Co-Agents:

*PPF* SA [redacted]  
*AV* SA [redacted]  
*QMM* SA [redacted]  
SA [redacted]  
RA [redacted]  
SA [redacted]

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From: Chicago

NRA-2

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

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Drafted By: [redacted]

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Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, MAYOR  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT;  
ET AL;  
CSPLO-LOCAL LEVEL

Synopsis: Investigative plan: assessment and projected work for the next 90-360 days. Completion date 12/31/03. The following plan is the result of the collaborative efforts by SA's [redacted] and former SSA [redacted].

Details:

PREDICATION

This public corruption investigation was predicated as a spin-off of 196B-CG-110974, entitled: [redacted] Et Al-FBW-Conspiracy. The previous investigation involved [redacted] Mayor Donald Stephens, as devising a scheme to defraud Acordia, Inc., an insurance brokerage firm which serviced the Village of Rosemont from 1991 to 1996. During January of 2002, [redacted] were indicted for over-billing Rosemont for \$675,000.00 in inflated insurance premiums. [redacted] has stated that he was introduced to Village of Rosemont officials, namely Donald Stephens II, the then Deputy Mayor of Rosemont by [redacted]. Subsequently, [redacted] received yearly kickbacks from [redacted] totaling \$280,000.00, which was eventually invested into a Schwab-One joint account.

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[REDACTED] STEPHENS [REDACTED]

The present investigation of Stephens, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] opened in January 2001 alleges systemic  
corruption within the Village of Rosemont. The schemes include  
village contract fraud, similar to the insurance fraud previously  
mentioned. Also under investigation are illegal financial  
transactions from Parkway Bank and Trust: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Investigation has also determined that [REDACTED] has  
been [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] in Bomark Cleaning  
Services, a company that maintains a no-bid arrangement for  
services in the Village of Rosemont, including a major convention  
center and sports arena. Bomark is also involved in the  
collection of parking revenue at these facilities. The Donald E.  
Stephens Convention Center (DESCC) is operated by the Rosemont  
Exposition Service (RES), another company which Mayor Stephens'  
family members have an ownership interest. RES controls all  
contracts with exhibitors at the DESCSC and mandates that RES  
approved vendors are utilized. In addition to Bomark, other  
former business interests of [REDACTED] include OG Service  
Corporation, which had been designated as the only fork lift  
provider at the DESCSC as well as McCormick Place. OG Service  
Corp. maintained a relationship with American Trade Show  
Services, previously known as Eastern Services, which provided  
aerial lifts to DESCSC as well as the Jacob Javits Convention  
Center in New York. Mayor Donald Stephens has been receiving  
dividend payments for a 25% owner-interest in American Trade Show  
Service, fka, Eastern Services, Inc. and later changed to SBD  
Services, Inc., along with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], a reputed organized crime member. The final 25%  
interest is held by [REDACTED].

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In addition to his interest in the fork lift business,  
[REDACTED] of Century Trade Show Services,  
Inc. (CTSS), a janitorial supply company based out of Atlanta,  
Georgia. CTSS provided the set-up and take-down services at  
McCormick Place, and also at the Jacob K. Javits Convention  
Center in New York. [REDACTED] was the subject of an FBI  
investigation into [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] in which a member of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was indicted. According to the New York

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[REDACTED]

During surveillance conducted from May 2000 to October 2001, [REDACTED] Mayor Stephens were seen together almost every day at the Expoteria Restaurant in Rosemont, IL. [REDACTED] was also seen with [REDACTED] at Starbucks in Barrington, IL. Additionally, [REDACTED] cellular phone records analyzed from 2000-2001 reveal numerous telephone calls to the Village of Rosemont and to the residence of [REDACTED] cell phone is registered to Yale Material Handling of Illinois and later to Premiere Fuel and Cartage Co.

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 11/15/2002

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

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Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED] JRM

Drafted By: [REDACTED] rpf

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)  
194B-CG-114999-PBT

Title: [REDACTED]  
PARKWAY BANK AND TRUST,  
HARWOOD HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS;  
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Synopsis: Request to close a 29C investigation and reopen as a sub file in the Rosemont investigation.

Details: This EC will serve to request the captioned investigation case file number 29C-CG-118651 be closed and reopened as a sub file in the Rosemont investigation, case file number 194B-CG-114999. The captioned investigation more properly belongs as a sub file in the Rosemont investigation due to the numerous connections in the two cases. It is requested the new sub file be designated 194B-CG-114999 Sub PBT.

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*Consolidate 29C-CG-118651 into 194B-CG-114999*

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From : CHICAGO

Topic: (GJ SUBPOENA)

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 01/07/03 Time: 14:13

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 97

Description of Document:

Type : NEWSPAPE  
Date : 12/10/02  
To : CHICAGO  
From : CHICAGO  
Topic: CASINO DEAL DICEY, STATE SAYS

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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Case ID: 194B-CG-114999-NC Serial: 156

Employee:

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Automated Serial Permanent Charge-Out  
FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 01/07/03 Time: 14:18

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 98

Description of Document:

Type : NEWSPAPE  
Date : 12/31/02  
To : CHICAGO  
From : CHICAGO  
Topic: EMERALD FORCED INTO BAKRUPTCY:

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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Case ID: 194B-CG-114999-NC Serial: 157

Employee:

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Automated Serial Permanent Charge-Out  
FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 02/24/03 Time: 08:42

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 99

Description of Document:

Type : FD302

Date : 02/14/03

To : CHICAGO

From : SA [REDACTED]

Topic: [REDACTED] IS ASSOCIATED W/ADDRESS [REDACTED]

Reason for Permanent Charge-Out:

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Transferred to:

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999-E Serial: 395

Employee: [REDACTED]

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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

1600 Golf Road, Suite 1050  
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008

February 14, 2003

[redacted]  
Senior Special Agent  
National Insurance Crime Bureau  
P.O. Box 69  
Lemont, IL 60439

Dear [redacted]:

In response to your conversation with SA [redacted]  
[redacted] concerning the search of National Insurance Crime Bureau  
(NICB) records, the following names are being provided for your  
information and analysis:

- (1)
- (2)
- (3)
- (4)
- (5)
- (6)
- (7)
- (8)
- (9)

[Large redacted box containing names for analysis]

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I would appreciate the results of your NICB inquiry be  
provided to SA [redacted] at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely

JRM

[redacted]  
SENIOR SUPERVISORY SPECIAL AGENT

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Date of transcription 02/28/2003

Source, who is not in a position to testify, provided the following information:

Source advised that he/she has no information regarding [redacted] social security account number [redacted]

Source did advise that the following individuals are currently associated with the address [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Investigation on 2/28/03 [redacted] at Chicago, Illinois (telephonically)

File # [redacted] 194B-CG-114999 -101 Date dictated 2/28/03

by SA [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/10/2003

To: Chicago

From: Chicago

NRA2

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

*JRM*

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999

Title: [REDACTED]

PARKWAY BANK AND TRUST,  
HARWOOD HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS;

Synopsis: Case update.

Details: For information, on 3/7/03, [REDACTED]

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AUSA [REDACTED] indicated [REDACTED]

against [REDACTED] He has  
scheduled grand jury time on [REDACTED] to begin presenting the  
case.

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FD-5a (1-5-94)

Date: 04/21/03 Time: 15:45

Case ID: 194B-CG-114999 Serial: 103

Description of Document:

Type : NEWSPAPE  
Date : 04/16/03  
To : CHICAGO  
From : CHICAGO  
Topic: STATE NOW ON SAME PAGE ON EMERALD SALE

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/21/2003

To: New York

Attn: SA [redacted] (C-5)  
SSA [redacted] (C-5)  
SSA [redacted] (C-14)

From: Chicago

NRA/NRA2

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted] JPM

Drafted By: [redacted] mer

Case ID #: 194B-CG-114999 (Pending)

Title: DONALD E. STEPHENS, Mayor  
VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT;[redacted]  
CSPLO - LOCAL LEVEL

**Synopsis:** Information concerning travel of Chicago Case Agent SA [redacted] to New York on 4/28-30/2003 for investigative purposes.

**Reference:** Telcal between SSA [redacted] and SA [redacted] on 4/22/03

**Details:** In January 2001, this public corruption case was predicated upon a previous fraud investigation in Rosemont, IL involving kickbacks for municipal insurance contracts. [redacted] and two other individuals were indicted in January 2002 in the original investigation, and are scheduled to go to trial on October 2003. The fraud investigation identified [redacted] as a [redacted] of Mayor Stephens and [redacted] [redacted] has been [redacted] with [redacted] in a cleaning company named Bomark that has a no-bid arrangement to service Rosemont-owned facilities including the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center.

In addition, [redacted] O.G. Service Corp.(OGSC) which was designated as the only provider of forklift trucks at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center (DESCC). OGSC also had a business relationship with American Trade Show Services Inc (ATSS), formerly Eastern Services Inc (ESI), to provide aerial lifts at Chicago convention centers as well as the Jacob Javits Center in New York. Corporation records reveal that ESI, which became ATSS, is owned by Stephens, [redacted] a reputed organized crime member in Chicago. [redacted] also owns

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Per ASAC WAYS  
4/23/03

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Century Trade Show Services located in Atlanta, GA, which provides cleaning and labor services to the trade show industry on a national level.

Another aspect of this investigation involves [redacted]

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[redacted] Chicago's investigation of the Stephens-[redacted] criminal enterprise is active and ongoing. Investigation is seeking to uncover evidence of influence by the enterprise in local and state governmental corruption, police corruption, financial institution frauds and the organized crime influence into the Emerald Casino legislation and construction.

During 1998, the New York office embarked on an investigation of LCN influence of labor unions that would effect the Jacob Javits Convention Center. That investigation was incorporated into 281A-NY-198530 entitled "Liborio Bellomo, Etal; OC/DI-LCN-Genovese Family". That investigation identified organized crime controlled businesses at the Javits Center including waste removal, carpet suppliers, cleaning companies, and various trade show service companies that had been long established at the Javits Center. Additionally, the New York investigation identified organized crime controlled unions that facilitated the frauds and organize crime dominance of the Javits Center.

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In a 1996 Daily News article, Eastern Rentals Inc (ERI), a New York corporation was being removed from the Javits Center after an investigation of organized crime control identified ERI. ERI had a 10 year no-bid forklift rental contract with the Javits Center. The principal of ERI is [redacted]

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80 Waterview Ave Massapequa NY 11758. [ ] is identified by Boscarino in a 1996 sworn deposition given to the Independent Review Board (IRB). The IRB was investigating organized crime in the Teamsters Union local 714 in Chicago, Il. In 1996, [ ] was the [ ] for the Teamsters Union at the DESC in Rosemont. [ ] resigned this position later that year rather than face another sworn deposition by the IRB. Chicago has identified [ ] as an Organized Crime associate believes he was able to secure the contract with the Javits Center due of his business association with [ ]

The investigation of [ ] has identified a previous business relationship between ERI of New York and ESI of Chicago. The relationship involves ERI providing forklift repair and cartage service to ESI at the Javits Center. In 1995, ATTS, formerly ESI paid ERI \$95,000 for services rendered at the Javits center. At the same time, ATTS claimed revenues of \$500,000 per year for forklift service at the Javits Center.

According to the New York investigation, 281A-NY-247508 entitled "Ralph Anthony Coppola, Jr., dba Metro West Consulting Inc.; OC/DI-LCN-Genovese Family", trade shows conducted at the Javits Center were coordinated by private show managers who would coordinate floor space, dates, and be responsible to physically set up the space. The general contractor, also known as the official decorator, coordinated with the unions to provide the necessary labor and services necessary for trade shows. The largest official decorator at the Javits Center was Freeman Decorating Company (FDC). Investigation determined that Freeman was allowed to work at the Javits Center after an arrangement was made between a Chicago Teamster Union official and Genovese Family members in New York.

Another large official decorator, Greyhound Exposition Services (Greyhound), also operated at the Javits Center in the early 1990s. The New York investigation determined that Ralph Coppola, a Carpenters Union official, had arranged for Greyhound to pay a 15 percent commission to him in return for a contract valued at \$3 million at the Javits Center. New York investigation determined that [ ] negotiated this commission with Greyhound [ ] The Greyhound kickbacks were paid to Coppola's consulting company, Midwest Consulting Inc. [ ] received kickbacks payable to Bee Consulting Services and/or Century Trade Show Services in Chicago. Investigation further determined that over \$1.2 million in kickbacks were paid by Greyhound to Coppola [ ] and that Greyhound inflated invoices at the Javits Center to recoup its losses. Coppola was indicted by New York; however disappeared

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shortly after his arrest. New York believes Coppola was murdered by the Genovese family to prevent his cooperation with the FBI.

SA [ ] plans to review the Ralph Coppola investigative file (now closed) in order to obtain additional evidence on [ ] who has yet to be charged in the corruption investigation.

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Re: 194B-CG-114999, 04/21/2003

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1: (Action)

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NY

Coordinate with SA [ ] to review documents previously mentioned as well as to assist with interviews in New York.

With SA<sup>S</sup> TRAVEL. SAC Chicago + NY Concur

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